



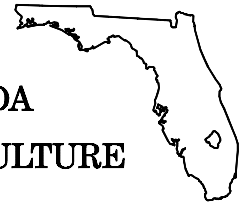
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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.85 million head on August 1, 2004. The inventory was 3 percent above August 1, 2003 but 3 percent below August 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.72 million, 14 percent below 2003 and 7 percent below 2002. Net placements were 1.66 million. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 440,000, 600-699 pounds were 325,000, 700-799 pounds were 499,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 456,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.93 million, 15 percent below 2003 and 12 percent below 2002.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 during July, 3 percent below 2003 but 29 percent above 2002.

CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Number Placed on Feed, by weight groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, July 2003, June and July 2004

Month	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
<i>1,000 head</i>					
July 2003	426	414	593	564	1,997
June 2004	460	356	*453	375	*1,644
July 2004	440	325	499	456	1,720

*Revised

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED, 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, AND UNITED STATES

State	Number on feed July 1			Placed during July			Marketed during July			Other disappearance during July			Number on feed August 1		
	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03
	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
AZ	266	295	111	32	32	100	26	31	119	1	2	200	271	294	108
CA	490	520	106	66	65	98	67	60	90	4	5	125	485	520	107
CO	890	940	106	175	150	86	200	205	103	5	5	100	860	880	102
ID	255	240	94	56	43	77	70	47	67	1	1	100	240	235	98
IA	310	390	126	56	52	93	70	60	86	1	2	200	295	380	129
KS	2,160	2,090	97	570	520	91	540	475	88	10	15	150	2,180	2,120	97
NE	1,690	1,850	109	350	310	89	460	405	88	10	5	50	1,570	1,750	111
NM	115	124	108	21	22	105	17	17	100	3	2	67	116	127	109
OK	350	315	90	75	61	81	85	59	69	5	2	40	335	315	94
SD	167	173	104	21	12	57	38	26	68	2	2	100	148	157	106
TX	2,820	2,760	98	475	395	83	590	470	80	15	15	100	2,690	2,670	99
WA	160	150	94	50	29	58	39	28	72	1	1	100	170	150	88
Oth. Sts.	250	270	108	50	29	58	68	43	63	2	1	50	230	255	111
U.S.	9,923	10,117	102	1,997	1,720	86	2,270	1,926	85	60	58	97	9,590	9,853	103

AVERAGE PRICES, NEBRASKA, DOLLARS PER CWT

Week ended	Slaughter steers				Slaughter heifers			
	Choice 1150-1500 lbs				Choice 1000-1300 lbs			
	2003		2004		2003		2004	
July	31	77.95		84.37	77.46		84.43	
August	07	80.94		82.53	80.81		82.22	
August	14	80.23		85.09	80.13		85.01	

CHICKENS AND EGGS

FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-August 2004 averaged 40.0 cents, down six cents from mid-July. Table egg production in Florida during July was 250 million eggs, seven percent above the previous month.

UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.54 billion during July 2004, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.45 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.04 billion were broiler-type and 56.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during July 2004 averaged 342 million, up 2 percent from a year earlier. July egg production per 100 layers was 2,207 eggs, down slightly from July 2003. July 2004 contained 22 weekdays, 5 Saturdays, 1 holiday compared to July 2003 which contained 23 weekdays, 4 Saturdays and 1 holiday.

All layers in the U.S. on August 1, 2004, totaled 342 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 342 million layers consisted of 283 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 56.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.40 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on August 1, 2004, averaged 71.0 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 7.05 billion eggs during July 2004, up 2 percent from a year ago. The average number of layers during July, at 319 million, was up 2 percent from a year ago.

MID-MONTH TABLE EGG PRICES RECEIVED BY FLORIDA EGG PRODUCERS.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2003	2004
January	55.0	81.0
February	56.0	81.0
March	51.0	101.0
April	52.0	67.0
May	41.0	52.0
June	50.0	53.0
July	51.0	46.0
August	57.0	40.0
September	63.0	
October	72.0	
November	83.0	
December	75.0	

FLORIDA: Layers on hand first of month, percent molting and molted

	Aug 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Aug 2004
Total layers on hand: Thous.	10,812	11,553	11,549	11,346
Percent of layers:				
Being molted	4.5	7.5	3.0	5.0
Molt completed	29.5	28.0	28.0	31.5

LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, JULY 2004, PRODUCTION YEAR-TO-DATE EGG PRODUCTION FOR SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date ^{1/}	Being molted	Molt completed
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Millions</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Alabama	9,548	1,864	178	39	139	1,390	1.5	3.0
Arkansas	14,462	1,908	276	94	182	2,251	0.5	10.0
California	20,558	2,233	459			3,590	3.5	33.0
Florida	11,549	2,251	260	250	10	2,042	5.0	31.5
Georgia	20,076	2,117	425	251	174	3,353	5.0	17.5
Indiana	24,214	2,234	541	529	12	4,150	6.0	27.5
Iowa	44,963	2,260	1,016			7,530	5.0	34.5
Maine	2,836	2,468	70			700	0.0	0.0
Maryland	3,079	2,144	66	64	2	565	16.0	15.5
Michigan	7,653	2,287	175			1,327	6.5	31.5
Minnesota	10,638	2,322	247	239	8	1,963	6.5	23.5
Mississippi	6,825	1,993	136	41	95	1,065	1.0	12.0
Missouri	7,034	2,175	153			1,199	5.0	20.0
Nebraska	11,571	2,307	267	267		2,114	4.5	18.0
New York	4,108	2,434	100			770	4.0	4.5
North Carolina	10,817	1,960	212	79	133	1,682	2.0	9.5
Ohio	27,755	2,245	623			4,869	8.0	25.0
Pennsylvania	24,139	2,357	569	551	18	4,381	4.0	14.5
South Carolina	5,246	2,230	117	95	22	867	0.0	28.5
Texas	18,124	2,251	408			3,220	2.5	21.0
Virginia	3,193	1,942	62	29	33	502	8.5	22.0
Washington	4,849	2,269	110			879	4.0	40.5
Other States	48,680	2,171	491	397	95	5,055	4.1	26.9
United States	341,897	2,207	7,544	6,449	1,095	50,447	4.5	23.4

^{1/} Production year begins December 1.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

The July hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4,987,000 was two percent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on August 1, at 4,061,000, were slightly above a year ago.

Egg-type hatch during July at 699,000 chicks was 14 percent below last year. Egg-type eggs in incubators on August 1, at 535,000 were 17 percent below a year ago.

UNITED STATES

The July 2004 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 807 million, was up 4 percent from July of the previous year. There were 663 million eggs in incubators on August 1, 2004, up 3 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.83 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during July 2004, down 3 percent from July 2003.

Egg-type chicks hatched during July totaled 34.1 million, down 4 percent from July 2003. Eggs in incubators totaled 31.1 million on August 1, 2004, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 243,000 during July 2004, up 6 percent from July 2003.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2003	2004	2004 % of 2003
<i>-- Thousands --</i>			
EGG-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Aug 1	30,716	31,098	101
Chicks hatched during Jul	35,366	34,127	96
Pullets hatched during Jul for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	230	243	106
7-18 months earlier ^{1/}	2,927	3,198	109
BROILER-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Aug 1	641,502	662,905	103
Chicks hatched during Jul	777,838	806,827	104
Pullets hatched during Jul for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	7,071	6,834	97
7-15 months earlier ^{2/}	62,022	62,168	100

^{1/} 2004 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2003 through December 2003.

^{2/} 2004 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2003 through December 2003.

MILK PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 186 million pounds of milk during July 2004, up nine percent from the previous July. Production per cow of 1,340 pounds was ten percent above last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in July totaled 139,000, one percent below last year.

UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 20 major States during July totaled 12.5 billion pounds, up 0.7 percent from July 2003. June revised production, at 12.4 billion pounds, was down 0.1 percent from June 2003. The June revision represented an increase of 1 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,613 pounds for July, 16 pounds above July 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.75 million head, 27,000 head less than July 2003, but 11,000 head more than June 2004.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND U.S.

Month and year		Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
			Per cow	Monthly Total
		<i>Thous.</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>
FLORIDA:				
July	2003	141	1,215	171
June	2004	139	1,395	194
July	2004	139	1,340	186
20 MAJOR STATES:				
July	2003	7,780	1,597	12,421
June	2004	7,742	1,603	12,410
July	2004	7,753	1,613	12,505
UNITED STATES:				
July	2003	9,087	1,570	14,263
June	2004	9,012	1,583	14,270
July	2004	9,027	1,587	14,323

MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

Month	Milk cows ^{1/}		Milk per cow ^{2/}		Milk production	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>	
Jan-Mar	9,144	8,990	4,710	4,750	43,069	42,701
Apr-Jun	9,109	8,997	4,827	4,858	43,965	43,703
Jul-Sep	9,073		4,601		41,746	
Oct-Dec	9,011		4,609		41,532	
Annual Total	9,084		18,749		170,312	

^{1/} Dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/} Excludes milk fed to calves.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for July 2004 was 4.6 million pounds, 18 percent below the same month last year.

Commercial production of red meat in the United States for July at 3.71 billion pounds, was eight percent below 2003.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER AND RED MEAT PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES

Source and kind	July 2003	June 2004	July 2004	Year to date 2003	Year to date 2004
FLORIDA					
Cattle slaughtered (1000 head) ^{1/}	8	7	7	57	47
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	9	8	9	59	57
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	1,475	1,334	1,445	10,451	9,669
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.2	0.1	0.1	13.7	11.4
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	20	10	7	179	101
Red meat production (million pounds)	5.6	4.6	4.6	39.3	32.1
UNITED STATES					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	3,290	2,995	2,787	21,107	19,189
Total liveweight (million pounds)	4,030	3,668	3,453	25,974	23,471
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,225	1,225	1,239	1,231	1,223
Beef production (million pounds)	2,439	2,227	2,104	15,623	14,193
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	85	66	69	576	498
Total liveweight (million pounds)	24	22	22	185	165
Average liveweight (pounds)	289	338	325	322	332
Veal production (million pounds)	15	13	13	112	99
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8,116	8,504	8,095	56,692	58,544
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,130	2,244	2,121	15,108	15,586
Average liveweight (pounds)	262	264	262	267	266
Pork production (million pounds)	1,580	1,672	1,576	11,221	11,604
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	240	231	221	1,717	1,635
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	31	31	28	229	225
LAMB AND MUTTON:	16	16	14	115	113
Red meat production (million pounds)	4,050	3,928	3,708	27,070	26,008

^{1/} Does not include calf slaughter data.